

Amendment and Response

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following new paragraph at the end of the Brief Description of the Drawings:

Figure 10 is a partially exploded perspective illustration of another embodiment of the mode indicator button and transceiver module.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 11, with the following amended paragraph:

Typically, fiber optic components use color to designate mode (e.g., wavelength, contact type, product type, etc.). Transceiver module 10 is generally small and only a small portion of transceiver module 10 is visible when installed in cage 12. Mode indicator button 30 (Figures 2, 9A and 9B) provides a highly visible color signal adjacent the front face 21 of transceiver module 10, and is visible from the front and top of transceiver module 10. Mode indicator button 30 is a molded plastic button (in any desired color) that is integral to the fiber optic input/output receptacles 20 of transceiver module 10, thereby clearly providing mode information to a user and adding no size to transceiver module 10. In one embodiment, mode indicator button 30 includes a recessed portion 80 in its back surface that is shaped to receive protrusion 81 of housing 22. Mode indicator button 30 may be secured to protrusion 81 by means including press fit and adhesive. In another embodiment (Figure 10), the positions of recessed portion 80 and protrusion 81 may be switched such that mode indicator button 30 has a protrusion 81' receivable in a recessed portion 80' of housing 22.